

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (REV 9-2001)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER  TS6320 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)  <b>10 / 500280</b>
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  PCT/EP2002/014864	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  31 December 2002 (31.12.2002)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  31 December 2001 (31.12.2001)
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION:</b> <b>MULTISTAGE FLUID SEPARATION ASSEMBLY AND METHOD</b>		
<b>APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US:</b> BAKKER, Hilleonda; TER HAAR, Max, Robert, Anthony; OKIMOTO, Fred, Toshio; TJEENK WILLINK, Cornelis, Antonie		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 11 to 16 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: postcard</li> </ol>		

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<p>21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</p> <p><b>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b></p> <p>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.492) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(3) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$1080.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.492) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$920.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.492) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO..... \$770.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.492) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$730.00</p> <p>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.492) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$100.00</p>		<b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b>																
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<p>Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">CLAIMS</th> <th style="width: 30%;">NUMBER FILED</th> <th style="width: 30%;">NUMBER EXTRA</th> <th style="width: 25%;">RATE</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Claims</td> <td>19 - 20 =</td> <td>0</td> <td>x \$ 18.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent Claims</td> <td>2 - 3 =</td> <td>0</td> <td>x \$ 86.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>+ \$290.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	Total Claims	19 - 20 =	0	x \$ 18.00	Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 86.00	Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$290.00	\$
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<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>19-1800</u> in the amount of <u>\$ 960.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>19-1800</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p>																		
<p><b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b></p>																		
<p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <p>Del S. CHRISTENSEN SHELL OIL COMPANY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY P. O. BOX 2463 HOUSTON, TX 77252-2463 713-241-3997 713-241-6617</p> <p> SIGNATURE</p> <p><u>Del S. CHRISTENSEN</u> NAME</p> <p><u>33,482</u> REGISTRATION NUMBER</p>																		